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COMMUNICATION PARAMETER IN CLUSTERED COMPUTER  
SYSTEM

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Mail Stop AMENDMENT  
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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated June 9, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

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